Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Arnold Doerr, and we are richer because Arnold lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Arnold was born on October 8, 1923, to Jacob and Rosina Doerr and is one of four children. He graduated from Bowdle High School in 1944; and,

Whereas, Arnold served in the United States Army until the end of WWII, and he was part of the occupation force in the Japanese Islands; and,

Whereas, Arnold married Pearl Wefel in June of 1949, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and to this union five children were born: James, Thomas, Harvey, Judith, and Ronald. Arnold was further blessed with nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Arnold has been a life-long farmer in the Bowdle area, is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and still enjoys polka music; and,

Whereas, Arnold will observe his 90th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his family and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 8, 2013, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Patricia K Miller Deputy

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State